

## Freshwater Invertebrates

# **Flatworm**

Oahuhawaiiana kazukolinda

**SPECIES STATUS:** 

IUCN Red List - Not considered Endemic

**SPECIES INFORMATION:** Little is known about this species biology. It is a planarian.

**DISTRIBUTION:** The species was described from samples collected in Manoa, Oʻahu stream. They reproduce by producing a cocoon that has about four developing young.

**ABUNDANCE:** Unknown. No formal monitoring occurs.

**LOCATION AND CONDITION OF KEY HABITAT:** Manoa Stream, unkown habitat preferences.

THREATS: None identified.

**CONSERVATION ACTIONS:** In addition to common state-wide and island conservation actions, specific actions include:

- Continue developing GIS database and making it web-accessible;
- Collaborate with the Commission on Water Resources Management and the Land Board to ensure adequate Instream Flow and biological integrity of riparian areas;
- Continue on-going partnerships focused on environmental education and conservation and expand partnerships with other Pacific Islands agencies;
- Restoration of potential habitat.

### **MONITORING:**

• Establish survey schedule to determine population size and distribution.

#### **RESEARCH PRIORITIES:**

 Improve understanding of the life history of this snail and the factors that limit their abundance and distribution.

#### **References:**

Kawakatsu M, Mitchell R. 1984. *Oahuhawaiiana kazukolinda*, a new genus, new species turbellaria (Tricladia, Maricola): a new freshwater planarian from Honolulu Island [sic] Hawaii USA. Zoological Science (Tokyo) 1(3):487-500.